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## May Ag Prices Received

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May 2011 full month crop prices were mixed when compared with April 2011, according to USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Montana Field Office. Montana's winter wheat price was \$7.32 per bushel, up \$0.44 from April, spring wheat was up \$0.21 to \$8.23 per bushel, durum wheat decreased \$0.03 to \$8.56 per bushel, feed barley was down \$0.04 to \$4.47 per bushel, and malt barley was down \$0.29 to \$4.12 per bushel.

The mid-June price for alfalfa hay increased \$9.00 to \$94.00 per ton and all other hay rose \$5.00 to \$85.00 per ton. Mid-June grain prices were mostly higher when compared with May. The winter wheat price was \$7.50 per bushel, spring wheat was \$10.00 per bushel, durum wheat was \$10.20 per bushel, feed barley was \$5.09 per bushel, and malt barley was \$4.05 per bushel.

The all milk price was \$20.90 per cwt in mid-June 2011, compared with \$20.20 per cwt in May and \$15.30 per cwt for May 2010.

Nationally, prices for May and changes from April were as follows: winter wheat was \$7.80 per bushel, up \$0.43, spring wheat was \$8.85 per bushel, up \$0.18, durum wheat was \$7.86 per bushel, down \$0.74, all feed barley was \$4.61 per bushel, down \$0.28, malt barley was \$4.04 per bushel, down \$0.18, oats were \$3.55 per bushel, up \$0.01, steers and heifers were \$115.00 per cwt, down \$7.00, cows were \$78.20 per cwt, down \$0.70, beef cattle were \$112.00 per cwt, down \$7.00, calves were \$137.00, down \$10.00 per cwt, sheep were \$55.40 per cwt, down \$13.40, lambs were \$181.00 per cwt, unchanged, and all milk was \$19.60 per cwt, unchanged.

The U.S. mid-June price for winter wheat was \$7.35 per bushel, spring wheat was \$9.84 per bushel, durum wheat was \$9.96 per bushel, oats were \$3.51 per bushel, malt barley was \$5.15 per bushel, feed barley was \$5.01 per bushel, alfalfa hay was \$180.00 per ton, all other hay was \$113.00 per ton, steers and heifers were \$108.00 per cwt, cows were \$77.20 per cwt, calves were \$129.00 per cwt, and all milk was \$21.00 per cwt.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in June, at 181 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, increased 7 points (4.0 percent) from May. The Crop Index is up 12 points (6.0 percent) but the Livestock Index was unchanged. Producers received higher prices for milk, corn, and broccoli, and lower prices for cattle, lettuce, wheat, and strawberries. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of wheat, hay, grapes, and peaches offset decreased marketings of corn, cattle, oranges, and milk.

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# Montana Average Farm Prices Received

Commodity	U N I T	Monthly Average				Change from Previous		Mid-Month Avg	
		Montana			U.S.	Month	Year	Montana	U.S.
		May 2010	Apr 2011	May 2011	May 2011	Apr 2011	May 2010	15-June-11	15-June-11
		Dollars							
Winter Wheat	Bu	4.37	6.88	7.32	7.80	+0.44	+2.95	7.50	7.35
Durum Wheat	Bu	4.46	8.59	8.56	7.86	-0.03	+4.10	10.20	9.96
Spring Wheat	Bu	5.47	8.02	8.23	8.85	+0.21	+2.76	10.00	9.84
All Wheat	Bu	4.71	7.48	7.86	8.16	+0.38	+3.15	8.96	7.85
All Barley	Bu	4.86	4.42	4.17	4.15	-0.25	-0.69	4.21	5.11
Feed Barley	Bu	2.52	4.51	4.47	4.61	-0.04	+1.95	5.09	5.01
Malt Barley	Bu	4.95	4.41	4.12	4.04	-0.29	-0.83	4.05	5.15
Oats	Bu	2.39	na	na	3.55	0.0	0.0	na	3.51
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	93.00	80.00	85.00	186.00	+5.00	-8.00	94.00	180.00
All Other Hay	Ton	74.00	75.00	80.00	112.00	+5.00	+6.00	85.00	113.00
All Hay Baled	Ton	87.00	79.00	84.00	169.00	+5.00	-3.00	93.00	163.00
All Milk	Cwt	15.30	20.20	20.20	19.60	0.0	+4.90	20.90	21.00
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